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PRE-MEETING PLANNING SESSION AT NATO TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN OZDAS' OFFICE HERE MONDAY, APR 29. IN ADVANCE, HE WOULD PERSONALLY APPRECIATE VERY MUCH RECEIVING US DELEGATE DR RABI'S, AS WELL AS DEPT (SCI) OFFICIALS' COMMENTS ON FOLLOWING LETTER HE PROPOSES TO SEND TO ALL SCIENCE COMMITTEE (SC) MEMBERS IN PREPARATION FOR SC MAY MEETING. REQUEST REPLY BY OPENING OF BUSINESS MONDAY, APR 29, AS HE PLANS MENTION IDEA AT PLANNING SESSION, AND WOULD WELCOME US VIEWS BEFOREHAND.

BEGIN TEXT:

TO: MEMBERS OF THE SCIENCE COMMITTEE

C.C. NATIONAL DELEGATIONS

FROM: CHAIRMAN

FOR SOME TIME IT HAS SEEMED TO ME THAT THE SCIENCE
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COMMITTEE IS MISSING AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP AND SHARE INFORMATION ON THE IMPORTANT EVENTS WHICH ARE HAPPENING IN ALL OF OUR COUNTRIES. YOU WILL RECALL THAT ONE OF THE IMPORTANT ITEMS IN THE COMMITTEE'S TERMS OF

REFERENCES IS "TO REVIEW AT SUITABLE INTERVALS THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL PROGRESS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES". I SHOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST, THEN, THAT THE COMMITTEE AGREE AS A STANDARD PRACTICE TO DEVOTE A PORTION OF AT LEAST ONE MEETING EACH YEAR TO STATEMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN THEIR COUNTRIES WHICH AFFECT THE STATE OF SCIENCE IN THE ALLIANCE. THESE ITEMS COULD INCLUDE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN SCIENCE POLICY, ALTERATIONS IN THE PATTERNS OF THE SUPPORT OF (VARIOUS DISCIPLINES OF?) SCIENCE, SIGNIFICANT BREAKTHROUGHS IN CERTAIN FIELDS, EMERGING PROBLEMS IN SCIENTIFIC EDUCATION AND THE LIKE - IN SHORT, ANYTHING THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO YOUR COLLEAGUES. I BELIEVE THAT IF SUCH REVIEWS ARE SCHEDULED FAR ENOUGH IN ADVANCE, THE MEMBERS WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP EXTREMELY USEFUL CONTRIBUTIONS. SPECIFICALLY, I PROPOSE THAT SUCH A ROUND TABLE BE SCHEDULED FOR OUR MEETING IN MAY 1975, AND THAT MEMBERS COME PREPARED TO MAKE SHORT PRESENTATIONS.

I HOPE TO REFER TO HIS MATTER DURING THE COURSE OF OUR MEETING IN MAY 1974, AND LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOUR VIEWS. END TEXT. RUMSFELD

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